

# Governor-Elect Ruth Ann Minner Succeeds Carper

**D**elaware Governor Thomas R. Carper was elected in June 2000 to serve as DRBC chair for the year 2000-2001. Lieutenant Governor Ruth Ann Minner, who was elected governor of Delaware in November 2000, succeeded Carper as the DRBC chair in January 2001. Carper, who was prevented from running for a third term as governor, was elected to the U.S. Senate.

Prior to her stint as lieutenant governor, Governor Minner served as a state legislator. She is the first woman in Delaware's history to win its highest elective office.

The commissioners at their June 2000 meeting also elected federal government representative Major General Jerry L. Sinn and Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge to serve as vice chair and second vice chair, respectively, during the year 2000-2001, which ended June 30, 2001.

The Delaware River Basin Compact requires the annual election of the chair and vice chairs, which historically has been based upon rotation of the five commission parties.

New York Governor George E. Pataki served as chair during the year 1999-2000.



Governor Minner

## WHITMAN NOMINATED TO HEAD EPA

**C**hristine Todd Whitman, New Jersey's governor and DRBC member, was selected by President Bush in December 2000 to head the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. New Jersey Senate President Donald T. DiFrancesco was slated to finish the remainder of her term. Under the Delaware River Basin Compact, he automatically became the new DRBC member from New Jersey.

## NEW FEDERAL APPOINTMENTS



Col. Bean

**C**olonel Gregory G. Bean was appointed as alternate to General Sinn and Lieutenant Colonel Timothy Brown was named the new federal advisor during the summer of 2000.

At the time, Col. Bean was Deputy Commander and Deputy Division Engineer of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' North Atlantic Division, which is headquartered at Fort Hamilton, N. Y. Lt. Col. Brown is commander of the Army Corps of Engineers' Philadelphia District.

Col. Bean replaced Col. George C. Clarke, who joined the Defense Threat Reduction Agency in Virginia. Lt. Col. Brown replaced Lt. Col. Debra M. Lewis, who was reassigned to the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon.



Lt. Col. Brown



## — DAVE GOLDBERG —

The commission is saddened by the passing of our trusted general counsel and friend, Dave Goldberg, on June 18, 2001. He was 70.

Dave was an attorney for more than 45 years and served as DRBC general counsel beginning in 1977. He had a distinguished legal and governmental career. From 1964 to 1966, he was counsel to New Jersey Governor Richard J. Hughes and was appointed by Gov. Hughes as the state's first Commissioner of Transportation. He served in that post from December 1966 to January 1970.

The DRBC was only one of many state, regional, and interstate commissions and authorities that benefitted from Dave's leadership and counsel. He served as chairman of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority from 1990 to 1994, and was chairman and a member of the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission, Delaware River Port Authority, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, and the Tri-State Transportation Commission. He also was a member of the Bi-State Blue Ribbon Panel that reviewed the New York-New Jersey Port Authority.

He lectured on transportation and/or government at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton Graduate School and Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Politics. He also was a fellow at the Harvard University Institute of Politics.

Born in Chester, Pa., Dave lived in Lawrenceville, N.J., for 37 years. He graduated from Rutgers University and the University of Pennsylvania School of Law. He had retired from Drinker Biddle & Shanley, with law offices in Princeton and Philadelphia.

In an editorial in The (Trenton) Times on June 27, Dave was remembered as "one of those people who give public service a good name." To each job, he "brought wisdom, wit, toughness, pragmatism, and dedication. He left a deep and positive imprint on his community, city and state."

## — GREGG DUSECINA —

Gregg Dusecina, the commission's support services clerk, passed away suddenly on May 20, 2000, at the age of 61.

His title did not do justice in describing all that he did - flying the flag, handling assorted mail-related duties and all of those logistical headaches associated with mass mailings, reproducing reports, making sure the copier machines were up and running, watching over our heavily used vehicles, running errands ... and much more.

With what seemed to be an ever-present coffee cup in hand, no last-minute press release that "had to be mailed out today" was an impossible task for Gregg. The true worth of the myriad tasks he performed became sorely evident once he was gone.

Born in Trenton, N.J., Gregg was a lifelong Bordentown and Trenton-area resident. He served in the U.S. Army and first joined the DRBC staff as a part-time employee in August 1967.

The golf clubs he leaned against the back wall of his office were a reminder that he was quite a standout on the links in his younger years before an injury that cut short his playing days. He also had his pilot's license.



Mr. Dusecina





Mr. Robin

## JOHN ROBIN: HELPED FRAME THE COMPACT

John P. Robin, whose imagination and energy proved to be indispensable to the success of Delaware River Basin Compact negotiations, died on May 7, 2000, in Pittsburgh, Pa. at the age of 87.

Mr. Robin chaired the Delaware Basin Advisory Committee which helped meld the aspirations of the four basin states and the cities of New York and Philadelphia to form a regional body to manage the basin's waters. He was both the campaign's forceful leader and its link to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Brinton "Buzz" Whitall, former secretary to the commission, recently reflected on the role Mr. Robin played in the compact's adoption.

Jack was very much involved in creating the commission. He played a leading part from the early days of initial studies in the late 1950s, up through the negotiations over the actual legislation and its final approval by the state legislatures and the Congress. He was a very quick and bright person of diverse background and experience, and was very savvy about how government and politics work. Most importantly, perhaps, he was a close confidant of then [Pennsylvania] Governor Dave Lawrence, a man of no small influence. Among those involved in getting the compact approved...and there were many...I would rank Jack among the top two or three persons. We were lucky that he was part of the scene at that time.

## RETIREMENTS

Richard C. Albert, the commission's Basin Planner, after almost 30 years in the field of water resource management.

Paul J. Webber, Supervising Engineer who served two stints with the commission, the first from 1967 to 1983, returning in the 1990s.

Thank you both for the excellent work. Your contributions are missed, as is your extra dry wit.

Chief Counsel Goldberg refers to notes during a commission meeting in West Trenton, N.J. Seated next to him is Anne Zamonski, the commission's acting secretary. Dr. Harry Otto, representing the state of Delaware, and Irene Brooks, Pennsylvania's representative, look on.



(Photo by Clarke Rupert)



### FISHERIES MANAGER NAMED

**D**r. Jonathan Jed Brown, who has worked on federal legislation and policy matters involving marine environmental issues, has been named to coordinate the work of the Delaware River Basin Fish and Wildlife Management Cooperative.

Dr. Brown recently was involved in developing natural resource restoration plans for coastal and riparian habitats along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts for the National Marine Fisheries Service. Prior to that, he worked at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's research laboratory at the University of Arizona on the development of sustainable aquaculture systems. He also worked on Capitol Hill as a legislative assistant to Congressman Frank Pallone Jr.

Dr. Brown holds a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of California (at Davis), a master's in marine environmental science from the State University of New York (at Stony Brook), and a doctorate in wildlife and fisheries science from the University of Arizona.

The Delaware River Basin Fish and Wildlife Management Cooperative guides interstate fisheries management and restoration efforts for the Fisheries Service and the state fisheries agencies in Delaware, Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey. The cooperative was established in 1972.

### Welcome Aboard

**These employees recently joined the commission:**

**Robert A. Tudor, Deputy Executive Director**

**Dennis Herbert, Support Services Technician**

**John Yagecic, Water Resources Engineer/Modeler**

**Anthony Bonasera, Geologist/Hydrologist**

**Donna Gushue, Secretary**

**Daniel Liao, Water Resources Engineer/Modeler**

**Martha-Maxwell Doyle, Estuary Program Assistant**

**Denise McHugh, Secretary**

**Lance Miller, Acting Branch Head,**

**Planning and Implementation**

**David Sayers, Environmental Technician**

**Geoffrey Smith, Field Technician**

**Donna Woolf, Secretary**

**Jonathan Zangwill, Water Resources Planner**